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New York, 16-27 January 1995
Item 1 of the provisional agenda*

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

Organization of work of the session

Note by the Secretariat

1. Objectives:

(a) The Committee is expected to negotiate and reach an agreement on the draft declaration and the draft programme of action;

(b) The Committee is also expected to reach agreement on item 5 (Provisional agenda and organization of work of the World Summit for Social Development);

2. Main elements of the proposed organization of work:

(a) The Committee has facilities for holding, simultaneously, three full meetings with interpretation;

(b) It is proposed to have a Plenary and two Working Groups - Working Group I and Working Group II;

(c) The two Working Groups would meet concurrently, while the Plenary would normally meet separately;

(d) The Plenary would review and approve the work of the two Working Groups and consider directly item 1 (Adoption of the agenda and other

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organizational matters), item 2 (Accreditation of non-governmental organizations), item 3 (Status of the preparations for the World Summit), item 5 (Provisional agenda and organization of work of the World Summit) and item 6 (Adoption of the report of the Preparatory Committee);

(e) The two Working Groups would deal with item 4 (Outcome of the World Summit). The Plenary would convert itself into Working Group I to consider the draft declaration and chapter 5 of the draft programme of action. Working Group II would consider chapters 1-4 of the draft programme of action;

(f) The two Working Groups would be expected to undertake concrete work, including drafting, and to complete a first reading of the draft declaration and the draft programme of action by Thursday night, 19 January. They will then report to the Plenary on the results of their work by Friday afternoon, 20 January. The purpose of this first reading will be to reach agreement on as many sections/paragraphs as possible and to identify the sections/paragraphs where further negotiation is required. All agreements will be ad referendum, until the conclusion of the work of this session of the Committee;

(g) The two Working Groups will organize their work in the light of the issues to be resolved. They may, in particular, meet informally as often as desirable;

(h) There would be meetings on Saturday, and evening and night meetings as often as necessary, starting on Tuesday, 17 January;

(i) The method of work of the Preparatory Committee, on Saturday, 21 January, and during the second week, will be determined in the light of the results of the first reading mentioned above. It can be expected, however, that the two Working Groups will continue negotiations on various aspects of the draft outcome of the Summit.

ANNEX

Proposed organization of work

Week of 16-20 January

Monday, 16 January 1995

Morning

Plenary

Opening of the session

Item 1 — Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters (A/CONF.166/PC/24)

Item 2 — Accreditation of non-governmental organizations in accordance with the rules for their participation set out in decision 2 of the Preparatory Committee (A/CONF.166/PC/11/Add.2 and 3)

Items 3 and 4 — Status of preparations for the World Summit for Social Development: Trust Fund; public information programme (A/CONF.166/PC/25)

Outcome of the World Summit for Social Development: draft declaration and draft programme of action (A/CONF.166/PC/L.22)

Brief introduction

Working Group I

Item 4 — Draft declaration and chapter 5 of the draft programme of action

Working Group II

Item 4 — Chapters 1-4 of the draft programme of action

Afternoon

Working Group I

Item 4 — Continuation of discussion

Working Group II

Item 4 — Continuation of discussion

Tuesday, 17 January

Morning and afternoon

Working Group I

Item 4 — Continuation of discussion

Working Group II

Item 4 — Continuation of discussion

Wednesday, 18 January

Morning

Working Group I

Item 4 — Continuation of discussion

Working Group II

Item 4 — Continuation of discussion

Afternoon — Plenary

Item 5 — Discussion of the provisional agenda and organization of work of the World Summit

Thursday, 19 January

Morning and afternoon

Working Group I

Item 4 — Continuation of discussion

Working Group II

Item 4 — Continuation of discussion

Friday, 20 January

Morning

Working Group I

Item 4 — Continuation of discussion of the draft declaration and chapter 5 of the draft programme of action

Working Group II

Item 4 — Continuation of discussion of chapters 1-4 of the draft programme of action

Afternoon — Plenary

Item 4 — Reporting by Working Group I and Working Group II on the results of their first reading of the draft declaration and the draft programme of action

Saturday, 21 January

Morning and afternoon — Open for work of Plenary or Working Group(s), in the light of the results of the first week of work

Week of 23-27 January

From Monday, 23 January, to Thursday, 26 January, noon, the Preparatory Committee will meet in Plenary and/or Working Group(s), as required, on item 4.

Thursday, 26 January

Afternoon — Plenary

Item 4 — Status of elaboration of draft declaration and draft programme of action

Item 5 — Provisional agenda and organization of work for the World Summit for Social Development

Friday, 27 January

Morning and afternoon — Plenary

Item 6 — Adoption of the report of the Preparatory Committee

Closure of the session

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Agenda item 6

ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE PREPARATORY COMMITTEE

Draft report

I. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

A. Opening and duration of the session

1. The Preparatory Committee held its third session at United Nations Headquarters from 16 to 27 January 1995. The Preparatory Committee held _____ plenary meetings (1st to _____), _____ meetings of Working Group I and _____ meetings of Working Group II on agenda item 4.

2. The session was opened by the Chairman of the Preparatory Committee, who made an introductory statement.

B. Attendance

3. The following States were represented: Afghanistan, Albania, Algeria, Andorra, Angola, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bahamas, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belarus, Belgium, Belize, Benin, Bhutan, Bolivia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cambodia, Cameroon, Canada, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, Chile, China, Colombia, Comoros, Congo, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cuba, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Denmark, Djibouti, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Estonia, Ethiopia, Fiji, Finland, France, Gambia, Georgia, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Haiti, Holy See, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Kazakhstan, Kuwait, Lao People's Democratic

Republic, Latvia, Lebanon, Lesotho, Liberia, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Maldives, Mali, Malta, Marshall Islands, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Namibia, Nepal, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, Norway, Oman, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Rwanda, Samoa, San Marino, Sao Tome and Principe, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Swaziland, Sweden, Switzerland, Syrian Arab Republic, Thailand, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkey, Uganda, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania, United States of America, Uruguay, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yemen, Zaire, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

4. The following units and programmes of the United Nations were represented: Economic Commission for Europe, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and United Nations Research Institute for Social Development.

5. The following specialized agencies were represented: International Labour Organization (ILO), Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), World Health Organization (WHO), World Bank, International Monetary Fund (IMF) and International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD).

6. The following intergovernmental organizations were represented: Agency for Cultural and Technical Cooperation, Caribbean Community (CARICOM), Commission of the European Communities, International Organization for Migration (IOM), Latin American Economic System (SELA), League of Arab States, Organization of African Unity and South Pacific Commission.

7. A number of non-governmental organizations also attended the session.

C. Officers

8. The officers, who had been elected by the Preparatory Committee at its organizational session, remained:

Chairman: Juan Somavía (Chile)

Vice-Chairmen: Australia, Cameroon, Denmark (ex officio), India, Indonesia, Latvia, Mexico, Netherlands, Poland and Zimbabwe.

D. Agenda and organization of work

9. At its 1st meeting, on 16 January, the Preparatory Committee adopted the provisional agenda contained in document A/CONF.166/PC/24. The agenda was as follows:

"1. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.

"2. Accreditation of non-governmental organizations in accordance with the rules for their participation set out in decision 2 of the Preparatory Committee.

"3. Status of the preparations for the World Summit for Social Development:

"(a) Trust Fund;

"(b) Public information programme.

"4. Outcome of the World Summit for Social Development: draft declaration and draft programme of action.

"5. Provisional agenda and organization of work of the World Summit for Social Development.

"6. Adoption of the report of the Preparatory Committee."

10. At the same meeting, the Preparatory Committee approved its organization of work as contained in document A/CONF.166/PC/L.24.

11. Also at its 1st meeting, the Preparatory Committee agreed to grant observer status to the Inter-American Development Bank, an intergovernmental organization.

12. At its 2nd meeting, on 18 January, the Preparatory Committee agreed to grant observer status to the following additional intergovernmental organizations: Asian Development Bank and South Pacific Commission.

E. Accreditation of non-governmental organizations in accordance with the rules for their participation set out in decision 2 of the Preparatory Committee

13. At its 1st meeting, on 16 January, the Preparatory Committee approved the list of non-governmental organizations recommended for accreditation in document A/CONF.166/PC/11/Add.2 and 3 (see annex _____, decision _____).

F. Documentation

14. The documents before the Preparatory Committee are listed in annex _____.

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Agenda item 5

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

Provisional agenda and organization of work of the World Summit for Social Development

Draft decision submitted by the Vice-Chairman of the Preparatory Committee, Mr. Zbigniew Wlosowicz (Poland), on the basis of informal consultations

The Preparatory Committee for the World Summit for Social Development:

(a) Recalls General Assembly resolution 47/92 of 16 December 1992, by which the Assembly decided to convene a World Summit for Social Development at the level of heads of State or Government;

(b) Takes into account General Assembly resolution 48/100 of 20 December 1993, by which the Assembly recalled the decision taken by the Preparatory Committee, at its organizational session to convene the Summit at Copenhagen on 11 and 12 March 1995, preceded by a meeting of personal representatives of heads of State or Government or other appropriate high-level representatives specifically designated by Governments, from 6 to 10 March 1995;

(c) Notes that, in accordance with rule 46 of its rules of procedure, the Summit may establish a main committee, as required;

(d) Recommends that oral statements to be presented during the Summit not exceed seven minutes, it being understood that full-length statements may be circulated in writing;

(e) Expresses its appreciation to Governments that have contributed to the Trust Fund established by the Secretary-General to mobilize voluntary contributions in support of the preparations for the Summit and calls upon all States, public and private organizations and individuals to contribute generously to the Trust Fund to facilitate the fullest participation from the least developed countries in the Summit;

(f) Recommends that the Summit adopt the provisional agenda and organization of work annexed to the present decision.

Annex I

PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE WORLD SUMMIT FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

1. Inaugural ceremony.

2. Election of the President.

3. Adoption of the rules of procedure.

4. Adoption of the agenda.

5. Election of officers other than the President.

6. Organization of work, including establishment of the Main Committee.*

7. Credentials of representatives to the Summit:

   (a) Appointment of the members of the Credentials Committee;

   (b) Report of the Credentials Committee.

8. General exchange of views.

9. Meeting of heads of State or Government.

10. Adoption of the Summit Declaration and Programme of Action.

11. Adoption of the report of the Summit.

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* The Chairman of the Main Committee would be elected by the plenary; officers of the Main Committee other than the Chairman would be elected by the Main Committee.

Annex II

PROPOSED ORGANIZATION OF WORK FOR THE WORLD SUMMIT FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT, 6-12 MARCH 1995

For purposes of the organization of work contained in the appendix below, the following guidelines will apply:

(a) Statements to be presented through 6-12 March will be limited to seven minutes. Longer statements may be circulated in writing. Each Government may present two statements during the Summit;

(b) During the period 6-10 March, a general exchange of views will be held at which personal representatives of heads of State or Government or other appropriate high-level representatives specifically designated by Governments may make statements. Executive heads of agencies of the United Nations system, as well as representatives of accredited non-governmental organizations and intergovernmental organizations, may also present statements in accordance with the rules of procedure of the Summit;

(c) It is suggested that statements to be delivered during the general exchange of views on each day place special emphasis on specific themes, as outlined in the work schedule below, it being understood that, notwithstanding such themes, speakers may address in their statements any of the topics on the Summit's agenda;*

(d) On 1 February 1995, the Secretariat will open a list of speakers for the general exchange of views (6-10 March) and for the meeting of heads of State or Government (11-12 March);

(e) When inscribing themselves on the list of speakers for the general exchange of views (6-10 March), speakers should indicate the (thematic) session at which they would like to present their statement;

(f) On 11 and 12 March, statements will normally be presented by heads of State or Government on the basis of a speaker's list to be drawn up by the Secretariat in accordance with established procedure;

(g) Normal meeting hours for the Summit will be from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

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* It is understood that the schedule will, by necessity, be adjusted in accordance with the requests registered by the Secretariat.

Appendix

ORGANIZATION OF WORK

(a) 6 March, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

(i) Inaugural ceremony

(ii) Adoption of the agenda of the Summit*

(iii) Opening of the general exchange of views

(b) 6 March, 3 to 6 p.m.

Continuation of the general exchange of views

Suggested theme for the general exchange of views on 6 March:

"An enabling environment for social development"

(c) 7 March, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Continuation of the general exchange of views

3 to 6 p.m.

Suggested theme for the general exchange of views on 7 March:

"Eradication of poverty"

(d) 8 March

Suggested theme for the general exchange of views on 8 March (International Women's Day):

"Gender perspective: enhancing the participation of women in social progress and development"

(e) 9 March

Suggested theme for the general exchange of views on 9 March:

"Productive employment and the reduction of unemployment"

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* Including establishment of the Main Committee to resolve any outstanding issues. The Main Committee will conduct its work, as required, during the period 6-10 March parallel to the general exchange of views.

(f) 10 March

Suggested theme for the general exchange of views on 10 March:

"Social integration"

(g) 11 March, 10 to 11 a.m.

Welcoming ceremony for heads of State or Government

11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
3 to 6 p.m.

Statements by heads of State or Government

(h) 12 March, 10 a.m.* to 1 p.m.
3 to 6 p.m.

Statements by heads of State or Government

7 to 9 p.m.

Adoption of the Summit Declaration and Programme of Action and of the Summit report. Closing statements.

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* The morning meeting on 12 March may be held at 9 a.m. if the number of statements to be delivered on that day so warrant.